## WILL HAVE WIFE OR KILL HER

COACHMAN WED HIS EMPLOYER'S DAUGHTER SECRETLY.

Mrs. Heckman Asks for Police Protection. or Unwelcome Son-in-Law, Threatens the Lives of the Whole Family-Daughter Seeks Annulment of Marriage.

Mrs. C urles Heckman, wife of a tailor those place of business is at 829 Fifth avenue, Manhattan, at d who lives at 41 Bay Twentyfith street, Brooklyn, called at the Bath Beach police station yesterday noon and asked for protection for herself and her daughter, Neilie Connell, who, she alleged, former coachman, who had secretly married Miss Connell on Dec. 23 and had

since been blackmailing the family. Mrs. Heckman told the police that she was afraid to go home and that her daughter was sick and confined to her room. She road a letter to the police which began by begging that "Nellie" might be permitted to go to her "Prince." If she did not come to him, the writer threatened to call at the Heckman house and "kill all

Sergeant Ryder has had a patrolman a he house ever eince.

To a Sun reporter, Mrs. Heckman, under advice of her counsel, George F. Eschch of Manhattan, made the following statement last night:

"My daughter was married to this man on Dec. 23. He was in my husband's employ as a coachman until three weeks ago. His actions were then too familiar and we discharged him. Not until yesterday did I knew that my daughter had married the coundrel. I discovered it by a threatening letter sent to me. He tried to blackmail me. I taxed my daughter with the disclosures contained in the letter and she acknowledged the marriage. She has never lived with him. She showed me the marriage certificate and told me they were married at the Borough Hall in Brook lyn. I have investigated and find that the marriage is only too true. Thursday I tried to get him to leave the country and sent Neilie with money to pay his passage.

He refused to go. "I then determined to have this man arrested for attempting to blackmail me, arrested for attempting to blackmail me, and also for threatening my life if I did not give up my daughter. The secondrel obtained Nellie's consent only because he threatened to kill her and me, too. Magistrate Dooley in the Coney Island court gave me a warrant for his arrest this morning. It was on my return home, after swearing out the warrant, that I received this last letter threatening all our lives.

swaring out the warrant, that I received this last lotter threatening all our lives. I then went to the police."

Mrs. Heckman then related the story of her daughter's relations with Riley, as told her by the young woman and sworn to before Magistrate Pooley. The girl alleges that Riley told her he was born in England and had lived in the household of his uncle, the Rev. Paul Riley of Ashton court, Birningham. He said he was graduated mingham. He said he was graduated rom Oxford in 1895 and came to this coun-ry the following year because of family inferences over his uncles desire that he harry a young woman of the former's

Miss Connell was fascinated with the andsome coachman, whose tales of hard ack and probable forgiveness by his uncle the near future appealed to her romantic clinations. Soon after the marriage the time u and romance was knocked out of

im u and romance was knocked out of whole situation by the ex-coachman's mands for recognition and permission to handle the bank account of his bride. Fearing the wrath of her mother the young bride refused to acknowledge the marriage. She gave him money from time to time, however, and went to his boarding place on two or three occasions for a few hours at a time.

The marriage certificate shows that the ex-coachman married under the name of Paul Riles, claiming that he was a Prince. Last night Lawyer Eschbach was instructed to begin proceedings for the annulment of the marriage on the ground that consent was obtained by eccercion and threats.

Miss Connell, the daughter of Mrs. Heckman by a former marriage, is a handsome blonde of siender build and a general fa-

man by a former marriage, is a handsome blonde of siender build and a general fa-vorite in Bensonhurst society. She was one of the most sought after among the young women at the subscription ball of the Bensonhurst Chib at Supper's Hotel lest Wednesday, which she attended in company with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Crop-

## GRIFFITH'S STRANGE TRIP.

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He Started for Work in Morris Park and Landed at His Son's Barn in Troy. TROY, Jan. 23 .- Mental aberration, due to overwork, is the only explanation that can be given for a strange trip of William H. Griffith of Morris Park, L. I., to this city. Mr. Griffi h's son, Charles Griffith, a resident of this city, who is employed as a teamster, was astounded Wednesday at noon by the appearance of his father at the barn. The elder Griffith was attired in overalls and jumper and carried a rubber coat. He was questioned by his son and replied that he did not know how

he reached this city or why he had come. Further questioning revealed the fact that his mind was slightly unbalanced. He was taken to his son's home and at-He was taken to his son's home and attended by Dr. Defreezt. Later Mr. Griffith's wife was summoned, and upon her arrival here, yesterday, she said that her lusband started for work on Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock and had not arrived there. He is employed as yard foreman at the Morris Park yards of the Long Island railroad. Mrs. Griffith will accompany her husband to their home in Morris Park to-morrow.

## HER BURGLAR A TARTAR.

When Miss Brady Grabbed Him He Threw

Her Down the Front Stoop. Arthur W. Vivian, 35 years old, of 424 State street, Brooklyn, was held for examination in the Coney Island police court yesterday, on a charge of assaulting Miss Ella Brady, a stenographer, of Sixty-ninth street and Seventeenth avenue. Miss Brady was too badly injured to be present

According to Miss Brady she had been entertaining some friends at her home on Thursday night. At 10 o:clock they left her and she saw a man trying to climb over the rail of the stoop. She asked him what he wanted and he said it was none of her

wanted and he said it was note of her business. She then grasped him, crying "step thief."

The fellow threw her from him and she fell down the stoop. The ruffian ran, but at Seventeenth avenue mounted patrolman Dunn, of the Bath Beach station, captured him.

Vivian pleaded not guilty, and assured the police and the court yesterday that he was utterly ignorant of the whole matter

### PRAISE OF TOM REED. Most of the Bowdoln College Alumni Talked of Him at Their Dinner.

The thirty-third annual dinner of the rdoin College Alumni Association was held last night at the Hotel Manhattan. George E. Moulton was elected president succeed the late Thomas B. Reed. Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard. who recently

ave a library to Bowdoin, read a paper ulog z ag Mr. Reed, and other speeches a the same subject were made. George is aven Pulman, the publisher, said that Mr. leed deserved a great deal of credit for he adoption of the International Copylight law in 1800, which saved the good epute of the United States by its protection of the rights of authors.

The Piret All-Rail Trip From the Hudson

BUFFALO, Jan. 23 .- Sixty years ago to-day by the opening of the Attica and Buffalo Railroad, the last link in the chain of railroads that was to give a through rail connection between the Hudson River and Lake Brie was provided, the first train load of passengers from the East entered Buffalo and passengers started on the eastbound trip.

This was nearly ten years before people in New York city could get by rail to any place in the State further away than Middletown, Orange county, sixty miles distant. The through passengers who entered

Buffalo on that pioneer train sixty years ago, came from the East, but the cars they rode on did not. While the journey from Albany to Buffalo could at last be made all the way in the cars, they were the cars of six different railroads, and changes were neces-

ferent railroads, and changes were necessary at Schenectady, Syracuse, Auburn, Canandaigua, Rochester and Attica. The train that brought the first load of passengers from the East to Buffalo and took the first one away, consisted of the entire rolling stock of the Attica and Buffalo Railroad—two passenger cars, a four-wheeled baggage car and a single driver locomotive named "Attica."

Batavia had been for some time the western terminus of the route, the journey from there on to Buffalo being made by Bissell Humphrey's line of stage coaches. That coach line had been gradually shortened between Buffalo and the East as the various railroads building through the State westward were finished. Its last stand was at Batavia. When the railroad from Batavia reached Attica and met the Attica and Buffalo road, thus completing the railroad chain, the coaches on the historic old stage line made their last trip.

Nine years after the opening of rail communication between Buffalo and Albany the ramshackle individual lines of railroad were absorbed and united as the New York Central and became the foundatio nof that commany's great railroad system of te-day.

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CAPT. TITUS SPOTS A CROOK.

Capture in a Saloon Row of a Thief Wanted for Burglary in Buffale.

Capt. Titus, resting in the Oak street station last night from his experiences in the Crosby street fire, heard that a man, excited by whiskey, was doing some fancy shooting in a saloon in Roosevelt street.

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Two plain-clothes men gathered him in.
"I'm Joseph Creamer of 25 North Elliot
street, Brooklyn, an' I'll shoot off my gun
where I choose," said the prisoner.
"Creamer nothin'," remarked the captain, who had been eyeing him over.
"You're Mike Crowley and you've been
wanted up at Buffalo for burglary for the
last year. It's a cell for yours."
And to a cell he went.

AFRAID OF GRAVE ROBBERS. Parents of a Connecticut Girl Take Un-

official household, were the Italian Ambassador and Mme. Mayor des Planches the Spanish Minister, the Chargé d'Affaires of Germany, the Peruvian Minister and Mme. Calderon, the Belgian Minister and Baroness Moncheur, the Admiral of the Navy and Mrs. Dewey, M. Theobold Char-Navy and Mrs. Dewey, M. Theobold Chartran and Mr. and Mrs. George Vanderbilt.

The Chargé d'Affaires of France and Mms. de Margerie entertained this evening at dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Vanderbilt, to meet whom were present Commander and Mrs. Cowies, the Spanish Minister, the Chargé d'Affaires of Germany and the Counters Quadt, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Theron and Miss Edith Wetmere.

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The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Shaw entertained at dinner this evening. Their guests were the Japanese Minister and Mme. Takahira, Senator and Mrs. Alger, Senator and Mrs. Dryden, Senator and Mrs. Kearns, Senator Dillingham, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henderson, Dr. and Mrs. Rixey, Representative and Mrs. Showalter and Miss Elizabeth Kean.

MISS TAYLOR HER OWN COUNSEL. She Decides to Prosecute Her Suit for Re-

instatement in the War Department. Washington, Jan. 28.-Rebecca J. Taylor, the War Department clerk who was dismissed last spring because of the publication of articles written by her reflecting upon the policy of the Administration in the Philippines and who later brought suit to compel her reinstatement, to-day appeared before Chief Justice Bingham of the Supreme Court of the district to prosecute her own case.

Miss Taylor's counsel, for some unexplained reason, withdrew from the case plained reason, withdrew from the case several days ago, and District Attorney Glassie, knowing this fact, to-day asked for a postponement until Friday. It was then that Miss Taylor, who had entered the court room with a formidable bundle of law books and a roll of manuscript, announced that she would act as her own case. Justice Bingham postponed the case until Friday. Miss Taylor says she will continue to act as her own counsel. to act as her own counsel.

WARSHIPS TO GULF CITIES. The Battleship Squadron Will Visit Galveston and New Orleans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.-At the request of commercial be dies and influential men of office on the Gulf of Mexico and the Mississippi River, the Navy Department will send warships to these places as soon as the exercises of the North Atlantic Squadron n the West Indies have been concluded in

in the West Indies have been concluded in March.

Celebrations are to be held at most of the places where the ships will go. The dedication of a protective sea wall at figureson will be attended by most of the battleship squadron, which will also visit New Orleans. The tattleship Alabama will visit Mobile to receive a silver service to be presented by the State of Alabama, a monitor, prebably the Arkansas, will be sent to St. Louis and a small cruiser to Natohez, Miss.

## Movements of Naval Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.-The gunboat Eagle has arrived at Ensenada de Mora, the raining ship Hartford at Funchal, Madeira; the training ship Lancaster at Yorktown, the training snip Lancaster at Yorktown, the gunboat Isla de Luzon at San Juan, the naval steamer Hancock, formerly an army transport, at Montevidee, and the collier Lebanon at Hampton Roads. The gunboat Scorpion has sailed from Ban Juan for Cumbra, and the tug Osceola from Key Vest for Port Tampa

N. Y. CENTRAL GO YEARS OLD. NEW WAY OF HUNTING POXES. Old Man Hardison Trice Ferrote and Wil

Sparce in Maine With CHERRYPIELD, Me., Jan. 23.—In the open reaches of treeless land where the blue-berry pickers gather the fruit for canning, there has grown up from natural selection a variety of large and very swift foxes which seldem go to the woods at all, but spend their lives in burrows among the cradle knolls and in the brush that abounds on the plains. In the summer these animal subsist on fruit, beginning in June with strawberries and following the succession of crops until the last blackberry is gone in October. From then on until the berries come again they live on field mice, which they hunt among the grass until the snow comes, after which they burrow under the drifts and capture their prey without leaving any tracks on the surface for the hounds to follow.

As these foxes are the largest known in America and have very thick fur, hunters have spent much time in trying to capture them. For ten years or more a few skilled men have been doing a small business in taking pelts by using poison and traps, but as the foxes always seem to have enough to eat, the results have been unsatisfactory. So it was a great surprise to old hunters last fall when Newall Hardison returned from Boston and showed his associates a

last fall when Newall Hardison returned from Boston and showed his associates a contract he had made with a fur dealer to deliver 250 fox pelts before March 20. The old hunters asked him how he was going to do it, and told him that the best season on record had not yielded more than 100 pelts, though the hunters had been out from September until April.

"You see what the contract says?" was the reply. "I have agreed to get 250 pelts for \$5 apiece, and if I fail, I must pay back \$1 for every pelt that comes under the required number. So you see it is no longer a question of getting all I can, it's a case of must. And I'm going to do it, too."

While the ground was frozen and before the snow fell, Hardison went over about 10,000 acres of blueberry land and hunted out all the foxholes he could find. He set a loop of slim copper wire at the entrance to every hole, making the free end of the wire fast to a large stick, so the snared animal could not go far underground. When the old man had used up nearly a mile of wire he lighted his pipe and said; "Now, if we can have some light snow that will come and stay, I'll send for my dogs and begin work. The weather can make or spoil my fortune. If the snow is

that will come and stay, I'll send for my dogs and begin work. The weather can make or spoil my fortune. If the snow is wet and turns to rain, I'm done for, because no fox can burrow under ice, but with a light now and good digging I can earn \$50 a week as easy as falling off a log.

December had not half gone when snow fell. It was light and deep and just right for Hardison. The next coasting schooner which came in for a load of wood brought a pile of boxes for him, and in every box was a little bright-eyed animal which din to look like any dog the residents had ever seen.

"What yer got there, Uncle Newell?" asked his neighbors. "Be they skunks that hev shed their stripes or be they tame minks?" minks?"
Hardison replied civilly that they were ferrets and that he was going to use them in chasing foxes. None of the people had ever seen a ferret, so encyclopadias were consulted. When it was learned that ferrets were used in hunting rats and rabbits the town was very merry at the expense of the old man. He had taken possession of a camp far out among the plains and for two weeks nobody saw him.

But when he came to the village to spend Christmas with his family he brought eighty-three big fox pelts along and said he had left a few dead foxes in camp, not having had time to skin them.

"It was as easy as lying," said Hardison.
"Afox can killa ferret as easy as he can a hen, but no fox will fight so long as he can run

the foxes into the nearest holes and brought them up with copper wires about their necks. After that I pulled them out, and, taking the pelts for my share, fed the bodies to the ferrets. My plan worked as nicely as a patent wheelbarrow. I'll have my contract filled before February."

The next coasting schooner which goes to Boston with fuel will carry Hardison and his 250 fox pelts along.

his 250 for pelts along. LOOPHOLE IN THE LIQUOR LAW.

Beer Is a Mait Liquer and Must Be Se Proved to Show It Is Beer. Residents of Flatbush are much interseted in a war which the police are waging against a certain saloonkeeper. The saloonkeeper has powerful political backing with which the police do not seem to sympathize and apparently, are not afraid of. Various methods have been adopted by them to catch him breaking the law, and each has failed to the great wrath of the police and a corresponding amount of joy among

the saloon man's friends One day last week he was arrested on the charge of selling a growler of beer to a seven-year-old boy. To leave no loop-hole open the beer was analyzed by the city chemist. He reported that there was no doubt that it was beer and that it contained 10 per cent of alcohol.

The saloonkeeper was arraigned in court

Tate.

The chemist, a meek person, took the stand and the Magistrate frowned at him.

"You made an examination of this beer?" he asked. "What was the result?"

"I found that it contained 10 per cent. of alcohol," responded the chemist, "and I knew it was beer."

"Did you test for malt?" asked the Magistrate.

"No, sir, but I'm sure it was beer."

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"Prisoner discharged!" declared the Magistrate, sweeping the papers in the case aside.

"But, your Honer," protested the policeman, "this ain't right. How de you suppose we'll ever catch him for violating the law?"

"No, good man," seld the Magistrate

the law?

"My good man," said the Magistrate solemnly, "the law says that beer is a malt it up. Your expert has testified that he found no malt in the beer. You have not proved that there was any. Therefore, it could not have been beer."

Then everybedy but the policeman and the Court adjourned to the prisoner's saloon.

"But I still maintain," said the disgusted cop, "that it was beer."

New Head of the Riverside Bank. At a meeting of the directors of the Riverside Bank yesterday Charles N. Taintor was elected president, to succeed Henry C. Copeland, resigned. Mr. Copeland was one of the founders of the bank and had been its president for ten years. He retains his directorship and a large interest in the bank.

P. R. R. BORROWS \$35,000,000

BIG LOAN MADE IN THE LOCAL MARKET AT 4 1-9 PER CENT.

ake Shere Paid 5 1-4 for 825,000,000 No Se Long Ago, but a Marked Tendency to Pasiness Has Appeared in the Market

Swee-Lean to Pay for Improvements. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has effected a loan of \$85,000,000 for six months at 41/2 per cent. with the privilege of one renewal for eix months. Direct negotiations for the loan were conducted with local banking interests by the Penn sylvania company. It is supposed that the money is borrowed by the company to pay for some of the improvements planned by the Pennsylvania, in advance of the increase of \$200,000,000 in Pennsylvania

The rate at which the loan is made, 414

per cent., is an indication of the tendency toward an easy money market. Only a short time ago the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad borrowed \$25,000,000 at 51/4 per cent. (including commission) to pay for its share of the Reading controlling tock. That loan was made by officials stock. That loan was made by officials of the Lake Shore for a year and bore the indorsement of the New York Central. The money was furnished by a syndicate. The general tendency of the money market yesterday was decidedly easier. The rush of cash from interior points to this city continues, and the known movements of money for the week ended on Thursday show a gain in cash by the local banks of \$6.80,000, of which \$4.384,000 was from the interior. On the Stock Exchange call money was lent at as low as 3½ per cent,, with the bulk of the loans made at 4 per cent.

per cent.

The strength of sixty-day sterling bills was again the feature of interest in the exchange market yesterday. Most of the business was dore on the basis of \$1.84 to \$1.8415 for long bills, and \$1.87 for demand exchange. This represented an advance of about 10 points for long sterling. In one important banking quarter it was predicted that money rates will again harden later under the influence of gold exports. AS TO PENNSYLVANIA PROXIES.

Nothing Strange About Personal Solicita tion for Them, or Their Use. The action of the Pennsylvania Railroad

Company in collecting proxies for the an-nual meeting in March by personal solicitation created an impression in Wall Street that the company for some reason was particularly anxious to secure proxies for the meeting, at which the stockholders will be asked to authorize the proposed increase of \$200,000,000 in the capital stock.

Attention was also drawn to the fact that stockholders were asked to delegate their voting rights to persons whose names were not prominent in the company's man agement. When Secretary Neilson of the Pennsylvania company was asked about

minks? Hardison replied civilly that they were usual Precautions.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 23.—The funeral of Miss Bertha J. Bailey of Southington. Conn., will take place to-morrow afternoen at 1 o'clock, the services will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Bianchard. The interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

The body will rest in a burglar-proof case of iron in which the carket will be placed and which will be recurred with a lock which cannot be forced open after it is set. The precaution is taken by the young woman's parents as a protection from grave robbery, of which they are in great fear.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Mrs. Boosevelt's weekly Musicale—Dinner in Honor of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vanderbitt.

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SYSTEM FOR TUNNELS. Pennsylvania Perfecting Scheme for Oper-

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 23.-It was announced to-day semi-officially that the hattan tunnels and terminals. It has been decided definitely that there

ating Trains.

will be four tracks under the East River, and that there will be twenty-six tracks in the terminals in the heart of New York city. The train shed will be forty-two feet beneath the street surface, and the waiting room twenty-one feet below the surface.

There will be bridges across the tracks, over which passengers may pass from incoming to outbound services. It is expected that the entire scheme of operating trains for the tunnels and terminals will be perfected this week. will be four tracks under the East River,

OLD COFFEE FIRM IN TROUBLE. Bankruptcy Petition Flied Against Wilde's Sons, in Business Since 1814.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed yester-day against John and Herbert W. Wilde, composing the firm of Samuel Wilde's Sons, wholesale dealers in coffees, teas and spices, of 11 and 13 Dutch street. The petition was filed by Morris J. Hirsch for The saloonkeeper was arraigned in court and the Magistrate asked the complaining policeman if he knew it to be a fact that the saloonkeeper had sold beer to the boy. "Sure I do," said the policeman, "didn't I taste it?"

"Perhaps it was soda water," remarked the Magistrate smiling. "Do you know beer when you taste it?"

"Do I?" replied the policeman, "many's the time I've had it—that is av coorse whin I was off duty or in me own home."

"So you consider yourself an expert witness:" asked the Magistrate.

"Well, I'm no tank," said the policeman modestly, "but I've got other evidence and legal evidence, too. We had the beer tested by the official chemist of the city an' he says that it contained 10 per cent. alcohol."

"Call the chemist," ordered the Magistrate.

The chemist, a meek person, took the

president and Herbert W. Wilde treasurer and secretary.

Mr. Hirsch said that he had been informed that the lightities are between \$200,000 and \$250,000 and that an endeavor would be made to set aside all conveyances recently made by the firm.

Counsel for the Wildes said that the firm's affairs are in liquidation and the new company is a distinct and separate concern from the firm.

The firm, he said, intends to make an agreement with the creditors to pay dividends of 10 per cent, as fast as the money accrues out of the assets in liquidation.

The liabilities are \$100,000, outside of the claim of Bennett & Co. for \$103,500, and the nominal assets are \$350,000, consisting of bills collectible, real estate, life insurance policies and good will. The firm intends to fight the Bennett claim on the ground of usury. There are four other dreditors.

WHEAT PLURRY IN CHICAGO. Shorts Caught by Armonr Compelled to

CHICAGO, Jan. 28 -Amid the tumult caused by the frantic selling of hundreds of excited traders, the price of May wheat shot up to 82% cents on the opening transactions to-day. It closed at 81% to 81% cents yesterday. The rise was due to the anxiety of shorts to free themselves from the grasp of Armour, who is long a big line and is said to be able to dictate prices.

The Armour line of May wheat is estimated at 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 bushels. This does not represent the total wheat supply, but the amount is several times larger than the local "contract" stock.

ADAMS EXPRESS BRANCHES OUT. Buys Up an International Company and Will New Send Direct to Europe.

The Adams Express Company has purchased the Morris European and American Express Company, Limited, and President L. C. Welr announced yesterday that the Adams company will now engage in the European express business. The arrange-ments for the purchase were made by Mr.

The Morris European express was es tablished in 1848. It conducts an express business to all the principal parts of Europe and has connections in other parts of the world. Its local office is at 18 Broadway.

world. Its local office is at 18 Broadway. An officer of the Adams Express Company said last night regarding the purchase:

"Heretofore we have had to do our European business by other carriers, having no direct European express connection, but hereafter we will be able to carry goods through without breaking bulk to any part of Europe and the world. I cantet state the terms of the deal. The Morris company, which has a capital of \$50,000, was reorganized yesterday, and Henry H. Taft became president in place of William O. Hempetead."

The American Express Company is the The American Express Company is the only other local company which has a European express service.

GOSSIP OF WALL STREET.

· In the early trading yesterday bear traders repeated their performance of Thursday morning and sold the market on the assumption that increasing uneasiness over the Venezuelan situation would soon begin to tell. Their selling was well taken, as it had been in the preceding session, and the mar-ket's general strength up to 1 o'clock caused a great deal of conflicting comment. The feeling common among professional traders was that, in spite of appearances, it would be just as well to scale down one's commit-ments on the long side. Some were quite determined not to stand long of stocks over Sunday on any account. With singular accord they sold stocks on the favorable forecasts of Saturday's bank statement. That seemed to be what they were all waiting for The market began to sell off immediately upon the appearance of the preliminary estimates of the week's banking results. and the decline continued almost to the last.

The selling pressure under which the marhat developed weakness in the last hour was not severe. Small transactions were the rule.

Erie was the principal object of speculative attention throughout the session. Informa-tion that it was again "a purchase" had been widely circulated, especially around com-mission houses. Content, Bissell and Harriman & Co. were the principal buyers on the advance. It was reported in the room that two important speculative interests were heavily short of the common stock. The selling was scattered. A well-known stock market authority

observes a "quiet undertone of liquidation" which is likely to continue for two or three weeks, he thinks, and not without effect misgiving because there is a mass of securities undigested, while many accounts have yet to be liquidated and several underwriting matters are in a more or less unsettled state. "People will trade," said a broker yesterday.

"if you give them something to trade on. I had some information this morning that I thought was good, and called several clients up by telephone to tell them about it. They responded with buying orders in a very willing manner, and seemed really glad of the opportunity." This broker's experience has been more or less common around the Street, but it relates only to the semi-professional public, which is always present and willing to trade on information. Of general public interest there is none. Commission-house business is insignificant.

Bond market authorities report that it is becoming more and more difficult to sell in-vestments on a 4 per cent. basis. The belief that money will be worth from 41/4 to 5 per cent. on the average this year causes a 4 per cent. investment to look unattractive. Individual investors and institutions that were large buyers of bonds on a 4 per cent. basis last year are said now to be out of the market for that class of it that bonds are "seiling hard" on a 4 per cent. basis, critical stock market people are wondering how stocks are going to be bulled from a 4 per cent. basis. Those who insist that this cannot be logically done are of the opinion that speculation will run this year more to announced to-day semi-officially that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company is pushing along its plans for the trackage for its Manhattan tunnels and terminals.

that speculation will full fully fully fully former that speculation will full fully ful on a 2 per cent. basis at 50.

As bearing on the lower price realized for the latest issue of the city's 31/2 per cent. stock it is interesting to hear that a considerable amount of the last previous issue is still in the hands of hond dealers. The demand for these securities lately is said to have been rather disappointing.

Landon bought about 12,000 shares here on Landon bought about 17,000 shares here on balance yesterday, principally Erie. In the early trading Landon's market for "Ameri-cans" was depressed, but railied sharply, presumably on buying orders cabled from this side. The 2 o'clock quotations received for the opening of this market averaged fractionally higher than New York parity. The buying of Eric for I endon account was a feature of the forenoon's trading. Most of it was thought to be of an arbitrage

The Venezuelan situation has produced fewer Wall Street rumors than might have been expected. It was rumored on Thurs-day that the Panther had been sunk, and early yesterday morning there was a rumer that Germany had officially and apelogetically disclaimed responsibility for the bombarding of Fort San Carlos. Both of these were rumers of the fourth or fifth magnitude, and they are all that can be recorded up to date, barring some Washington gossip, none of which crystallized into a respectable self-supporting rumer. The situation, indeed, has failed to produce one really sensational rumer, which may be considered a remarkable

The weakness of St. Paul excited com-ment. At 177 it made what the chart sharps call a "double bottom." One house appeared to have a scale order to buy the stock every eighth down. Lapsier was a seller at 178% and Van Emburgh & Atterbury sold it down to 177%. The last transaction was at 177%, with 177% asked. Just as the gong sounded several lots were offered at 177%, but there was no buyer.

Small profit taking, presumably by professional traders, broke the St. Louis and San Francisco issues sharply. In the early trading the common stock advanced to 72, but in the afternoon the selling of less than 3,000 ahares sent it down to 75%. It closed at a net loss of 2% points, and the second preferred, in which the total of transactions was only 1,700 shares, suffered a net loss of

professed yesterday to be unable to throw any light on the attitude of German banking interests toward the Venezuelan affair. It was said that foreign houses here were receiving anxious requests for Washington information, but the houses themselves denied this, and said that their European correspondents thus far have exhibited ne signs of extraordinary anxiety.

Coster, Knapp & Co. were heavy sellers of Rock Island common

Court Calendars This Day. Supreme Court—Special Term—Part II.—Cours opens at 10:20 A. M. Ex-parte matters.
Surrogates' Court—Chambers. For probate—Wills of Albert B. Storms, Eleasor Lee, at 10:20 A. M.
City Court—Special Term—Court opens at 10 A. M. Motions.

Court of Appeals Calendar.

ALBANT, Jan. 28.—Court of Appeals calendar for Monday, Jan. 20: Nos. 268, 76, 71, 78, 77, 81, 82.

BUFFALO UNION STATION. Conference Here to Plan One, but No

Agreement Beached. A three-hour session between the Buffalo Union Station Commission and the railroad presidents interested in the proposed improvement at Buffalo was held at the Grand Central Station yesterday, and resulted in a disagreement. Buffalo was represented by ten citizens, headed by ex-Mayor Charles F. Bishop.

The Hamburg Canal was closed by the State some time ago and turned over to the city of Buffalo which filled it in. It runs right into the heart of the city along the line of the principal railroad. The commission favore its use for a union station. The engineers employed by the railroad companies reported yesterday that they regarded the canal strip as unsuitable for a union station, a position which the commission regarded as untenable. The railroads made a counter proposition which both sides declined to make public last night.

The railroads were represented by President Newman and Chief Engineer Wilgus of the New York Central, President Truesdale of the Lackawanna, President Underwood of the Eric, G. E. Merchant, general superintendent of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg; Samuel Roa, fourth vice-president of the Pennsylvania, and George C. Greene, general counsel for the Lake Shore. The Hamburg Canal was closed by the

BEADLESTON'S STOP ORDER. Brokers fige the Brewer in Vain for \$19,-

A verdict was rendered in the Supre Court yesterday in favor of Alfred N Beadleston, senior member of the brewery firm of Beadleston & Woerz, which put an end to litigation that has been pending for fourteen years over a grain speculacorner. Palmeter & Rutter, grain brokers, sued Mr. Beadleston to recover some \$19,-000, which with interest had accumulated

to about \$30,000. ers to sell 50,000 bushels of corn for him short with a stop order limiting his loss to \$2,000. That transaction was successful, and on the next the brewer gave no ful, and on the next the brewer gave no stop order. Again the speculation proved profitable, and as Mr. Beadleston had instructed the brokers to use their general discretion in speculating on his account, which was now considerably increased, they again sold corn short for him. The corner in wheat then sent grain booming, and the brokers were forced to close out the transaction at a net loss of \$19,000.

Mr. Beadleston contended that his first stop order applied to every transaction, following the custom of the exchange. The case was tried twice, each time resulting in a disagreement, but on the third occasion the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Industrial Development Company Organized TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 28 .- The Industrial Development Company was incorporated here to-day with an authorized capital stock of \$4,000,000 of which \$1,000,000 is to be preferred stock bearing 7 per cent. dividends. The incorporators are F. A. Cleveland of Englewood; F. K. Seward, Charles McArthur and Walter R. Hine of New York and Kenneth K. McLaren of Jersey City. The company is to engage in mining and the opening up and development of land.

Lackawanna to Have a New Pullman Ser-

vice. Arrangements have been effected be-tween the Lackawanna Railroad and the Pullman Company by which the road is to have an entirely new equipment of Pullman parlor and sleeping cars. The new equipment is to be put first into the local service between New York and Buffalo, and next on the through runs between New York, Chicago and St. Louis.

Mutual Benefit Life's Good Showing. The Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, N. J., has issued its fiftyeighth annual statement, comprising the business of the year 1902. The statement shows the receipts to have been \$11,167,951, seaving a credit balance of \$4,487,067. The company's assets on Jan. 1 were \$81,497,976 and its surplus \$5,319,015.

ELECTIONS AND MEETINGS.

Office of

BROOKLIN RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY.

City of New York.

Borough of Brooklyn,

January 16, 1968.

The annual meeting of the stockheiders of Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company for the election of thirteen (15) directors, of whom four (4) shall serve for one year, four (4) for two years, and five (5) for three years, and of three (3) inspectors of election to serve at the next succeeding annual meeting, and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may be duly brough tefore the meeting, will be held at 12 o'clock noon on Friday, January 20, 1908, at the office of the Company, 168 Montague Street, Berough of Brooklyn, New York City. The polis will remain open for one hour.

The transfer books will be closed at 3 P. M. on Monday, January 19, 1908, and will remain closed until 10 A. M. on the day immediately succeeding the final adjournment of said stockheiders' meeting.

C. D. MENEELY. Secretary.

MERCHANTS' TRUST COMPANY, NO. 320 BEJADWAY.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of this Company, held January 21, 1903, the fellowing named gentlemen were elected Directors:

Joel Francis Preeman, John P. Munn, Edwin Hawley, James E. Reynolds, Frank Jay Gould, Leo H. Wise. At a meeting of the Poard of Directors, held January 28, 1803, Mr. Edwin Langdon was unanimously re-elected President: Mr. Frank C. Travers, Vice-President: Mr. John B. Grant, Secretary: Treasurer: and Mr. Fred. P. Davis, Assistant Secretary Treasurer.

JOHN B. GRANT, Secretary.

THE BOWERY SAVINGS BANK At the regular annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of this Bank, held on Monday, January 12th, 1803, the following officers were duly elected

or the ensuing year:
WILLIAM R. S. WOOD, President,
JOHN J. SINCLAIR, let Vice-President,
ROBERT B. WOODWARD, 2d Vice-President. W. COOGESHALL, Secretary. New York, January 28, 1998.

Consolidated Gas Company of New York.

4 Irving Place.

December 28, 1803.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company for the election of Trustees to Serve during the ensuing year will be hold at this office.

Monday, January 26, 1908. Polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. Transfer books will close Saturday, January 10, at 12 M., and reopen Tuesday, January 27, 1908.

JAMES A. BENNETT, Secretary.

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The Committee hereby calls for payment by de contors of Preferred and Common Stock of Three of the cash payment required by the Plan-pay ment to be made to the Central Trust Co. of New York on or before January 26th, 1908, by all depositors, including those hereafter depositing. WILLIAM A. READ.

PREDERIC P. OLCOTT. GEORGE F. CRANE. COLGATE HOYT. F. S. SMITHERS

NEW YORK, January 14th, 1908. CUBA SECURITIES COMPANY.

C. A. JOHNSON, President, 80 Broadway - New York, LANDS, FRANCHISES, INVESTMENTS IN CUBA.

DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST.

Northern Security's Company.

New York, January 22, 1993.

There has been declared a dividend of 1 1-8 percent, on the capital stock of this Company, payable February 4, 1968, to stockholdern of record on the books of the Company on that date.

The stock transfer books will be closed at 3 o'clock P. M., January 27, 1968, and reopened at 16 o'clock A. M., February 5, 1968.

E. T. NICHOLS, Secretary.

THE COLORADO FUEL & IRON CO.
PREFERRED STOCK DIV. DLND No. 21.
The Board of Directors of this Company has declared a dividend of FOUR (4) PER CENT. on the Preferred Stock of the Company for the six months ending December 31, 1902, such dividend to 10 payable February 20, 1903, in cash to stockholders of record at the close of business Jan. 81, 1903.
The Preferred Stock transfer books will be closed at 12 noon January 8, and will reopen at 10 A. M., Pebruary 21.

JOHN L. JEROME, Treasurer.

ALLIS-CHALMERS COMPANY. ALLIE-CHAINERS COMPANY.
New York, Jan. 15, 1903.
The Board of Directors has talk day deciated the regular quarterly dividend of ONE AND THE ETOUARTERS (14, %) PER CENT. on the Preferred Stock of this Company, payable February 2d, 1903.
The Preferred Stock Transfer Books will be closed on Saturday, January 24th, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon and will be reopened on Tucsday February 3d. 1908. at 10 o'clock A. M.
W. J. CHALMERS, Treasurer.

OFFICE CONSTRUCTING Q. M., Burlinston, Vt. Jan. 20, 1908. —Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received until 12 M. Feb 20, 1903, for Constructing, Heating, Plumbing, Gas Piping, Electic Wiring of two barracks and one backelor officer's quariers, Constructing and Flumbing of two stables and Constructing two gun sheds at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt. Information furnished at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt. Information furnished on application. U. S. reserves right to reject or accept any or all bids or any part thereof. Envelopes containing proposals to be indorsed "Proposals for Public Buildings, Fort Ethan Allen, Vt." Captain T. B. LAMOREUX, Q. M.

FORT HANGOCK, N. J., Jan. 20, 1903. Scaled separate proposals will be received here until 2 P. M., Feb. 19, 1903, for constructing, neating plumbing and electric wiring addition to disspital, and constructing, plumbing and electric wiring Dead House at this post. Information furnished on application. U. S. reserves right to accept or reject any or all proposals. Envelopes containing proposals abouid be marked "Proposals for constructing addition to Hospital, etc., and constructing Dead House," addressed JOHN M. DUNN, Q. M.

U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, St. Augustine, Fla. Dec. 26, 1992. Sealed proposals for dredging plant St. John's River, Pla., or for hire of dredging plant will be received here until 12, noon, Jan. 28, 1962 and then publicly opened. Information furnished on application. Francis R. Shunk, Capt. Engrs. U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, Newport, R. I., Jan 21, 1902. Sealed proposals for dredging and re moving bowlders in Newport Harbor, R. I., will be received until 11 A. M., Feb. 11, 1903, and then publicly opened. Information furnished on ap pilcation. GEO. W. GOETHALS, Ma). Engrs.

U. S. ENGR. OFFICE, Army Bidg., New York Jan. 20, 1933. Sealed proposals for dredding in Canardle Bay, N. Y., will be received here until 12 M., Feb. 20, 1983, and then publicly opened. In formation furnished on application. S. M. MANS FIELD, Col. Engrs.

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